



## **Health Services Technician Force Info**

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### **News and Comments from the RFMC:**

I hope each of you and your families had a happy and safe holiday season.

**WANTED:** Pictures of HS's/IDC's in action, HS advancements, etc... for web page. Let's show the good work that our people are doing.

### **SCHOOLS and PROGRAMS:**

#### **HS Dental "C" School**

Thank you to those who have responded to my request for information concerning the HS Dental "C" school. We are currently looking at the US Navy's new Dental "C" school. They are following our lead in merging their HM's with their DT's. Once they establish their new school, we are considering sending our HS's to this school in order to meet the needs of the fleet quicker.

#### **Lifesaver**

We are working on changing this program to First Responder. This is primarily due web applications, availability of class material and course publications. Until a change is completed Lifesaver classes will still continue. Plenty of seats are available. Contact HS1 John Nelson for class information and convene dates.

#### **EMT**

If you have not received your EMT recertification cards from the NREMT, please contact us. There have been some problems within the NREMT in processing applications. Contact HS1 John Nelson concerning cards, class information, and convene dates and alternate sources for EMT training.

#### **Intro To Environmental Health**

One of the most valuable courses an HS can attend prior to reporting aboard a CG Cutter (**required training**), LORAN or a Group Corpsman as an Independent Duty Technician. The purpose of this course is to provide HSs with the basic skills and knowledge of environmental health. Please contact LT Michael Boley MLCLANT KSE @ (757) 628-4343 for course schedule and information.

### **HS Independent Duty Technician “C” School**

It is here. After TNTC battles and a continuous effort, our CG IDT School will finally become a reality. The course curriculum is currently being written and the first class convening date is set for May 05. The estimated length of the course is currently 12 weeks. We have a waiting list for this class but If you are currently scheduled for an AF IDMT class, you will not attend the CG IDHS course.

### **From the E-PME Mgr: Greetings from MCPO LaCumsky**

- **E-PME Status:** The ALCOAST is out. The CDs are printed. (Some CDs were unexpectedly shipped to the TRACENs. They are not for distribution until the ALCOAST is released). The Internet, web-based E-PME Study Guide URL address will be listed in the ALCOAST and available the same day of release.

#### **Overview:**

The E-PME Study Guide is a once source Guide that all enlisted, active & reserve, will use to learn knowledge requirements, prepare for sign offs of performance requirements, the E-PME End-of-Course-Tests, and E-PME (MRN) questions on the SWEs. There's no more searching for references and publications to use as study material for the SWE. Everything a person will be tested on is contained in the E-PME Study guide. **\*\*Note\*\*** SWE questions can derive from the E2 requirements; the E-2 requirements form is included in all 3 formats.

#### **Three E-PME Study Guide formats:**

**Internet:** This version is interactive, Web-based format. Access to the Web version is by a CGSWIII or a personal computer. It is not an online course that you complete, such as the YN3 online self-paced course. All testable information for enlisted levels E3-E9 is contained within the Study Guide. The Internet and CD-ROM versions make it very easy to study for EOCTs or SWEs. Bandwidth requirements were incorporated with the CG limitations in mind—i.e.; no streaming video.

**CD-ROM:** This version is available for those members who do not have Internet access or who prefer the faster response time of a CD-ROM. It looks and feels just like the Internet version. Same as the Internet version, all testable info for enlisted levels E3 - E9 is contained within the CD-ROM Study Guide. //cgweb links (not testable info) will only be available if member has access to CG intranet. Copies can be ordered through the CG Institute.

**Paper-Based:** This version enables members without computer access or those who prefer paper. It's a traditional course-book format: 3-hole punched with a binder and tabs, approx. 500 pages-- a large book. As with the Internet and CD-ROM formats, all testable information for enlisted levels E3-E9 is contained with the text of the Paper-based Study Guide. Copies can be ordered through the CG Institute.

**Time line (proposed) for SWEs:** The MRN/EPME transition period begins once the ALCOAST is released. The MRN & EPME requirements will coexist and either may meet advancement requirements for the TED of 01FEB05. No EOCT is required for the May05 SWE. The May 05 SWE will have MRN questions replaced w/EPME material. Much of the E-PME material is the same info required before, and less. This timeline still allows 6 months to study the EPME material. If the member is not advanced from the MAY05 SWE list, they will need to complete the performance requirements for the next higher pay grade and possibly take an EOCT by 01AUG05 to be eligible for the NOV05 SWE.

**Time line (proposed) for EOCTs:** After 1Feb05, active duty members will use the E-PME requirements for "signing off" and pass an EOCT to be eligible for advancement to the next higher

pay grade via a/an: Supplemental List, Service Wide Exam (NOV05), Striker Program or "A" School. Members will be required to have performance requirements completed prior to taking the EOCT. There will be 3 EOCTs ~ to advance to E4, E6, and E8.

**Timeline (proposed) for Reservists:** The MRN/EPME transition period for Reservists will begin the same time when the ALCOAST is released and end on 1 July 2005. Both MRN and E-PME requirements will coexist and either may be used to meet advancement requirements for the Terminal Eligibility Deadline (TED) of 01Jul05. EOCTs will not be required for the TED of 01July05. The Oct05 Reserve SWE will contain questions from the E-PME Study Guide. After 1Jul05, Reservists will use the E-PME requirements for "signing off" and pass an EOCT to be eligible for advancement to the next higher pay grade via a/an: Supplemental List, Striker Program, "A" School or the OCT 06 Service Wide Exam.

#### **HS Rating Authorized Strength:**

This file is too large for these notes. To actually see the numbers for the HS rating, go to the web link listed below.

<http://cgweb.uscg.mil/g-w/g-wp/g-wp-1/monthly/FY03%20Rating%20Profiles.xls>

#### **Enlisted Separation Forecast:** (Nov 04)

The information below was extracted from the Enlisted Separation Forecast for November 2004 and represents known retirements or separations for HSs. Use them along with your best guess as to the number of Warrant Officer promotions, to estimate the number of advancements in the upcoming months

|      |                 |    |  |
|------|-----------------|----|--|
| HS1  | 12/01/04 ENLRET | HS | <b><u>Acronym Definitions:</u></b>   |
| HS1  | 12/01/04 ENLRET | HS | ENLSEP - Enlisted Separation   |
| HS1  | 09/01/05 ENLRET | HS | ENLRET - Enlisted Retirement   |
| HS1  | 09/01/05 ENLRET | HS | ESREQ - Enlisted Separation Request  |
| HS2  | 11/11/04 ESREQ  | HS | RET – Retirement   |
| HS2  | 11/21/04 ESREQ  | HS | AMRET - PDES action  |
| HS2  | 01/01/05 ENLRET | HS | AVI - Aviation   |
| HS2  | 01/01/05 ENLRET | HS | HS - Health Services   |
| HS2  | 02/08/05 ESREQ  | HS | SA - Special Assignment  |
| HS2  | 03/01/05 ENLRET | HS | General Guidelines to use for making guesses about advancements:   |
| HSC  | 12/01/04 ENLRET | HS | If a vacancy is projected for the 1 <sup>st</sup> of the month, then advancement is made on the 1 <sup>st</sup> of the same month. For example, if the forecast shows 1 HS1 retirement with an effective date of 1 July, an advancement to fill that vacancy will likely be made on 1 July.        |
| HSC  | 12/01/04 ENLRET | HS |  |
| HSC  | 12/01/04 ENLRET | HS |  |
| HSC  | 12/01/04 ENLRET | HS |  |
| HSC  | 06/01/05 ENLRET | HS | If a vacancy occurs after the 1 <sup>st</sup> , then the vacancy will likely be filled on the 1 <sup>st</sup> of the following month. For example, if the forecast shows 1 HS3 separation with an effective date of 17 July then advancement to fill the vacancy is likely to be made on 1 August. |
| HSC  | 09/01/05 ENLRET | HS |  |
| HSC  | 09/01/05 ENLRET | HS |  |
| HSC  | 10/01/05 ENLRET | HS |  |
| HSCM | 09/01/05 ENLRET | HS | Pay attention also to the Assignment Officer column. If a member was in a Special Assignment, then no advancement will be made for that vacancy.   |
| HSCM | 09/01/05 ENLRET | HS |  |
| HSCS | 11/01/04 ENLRET | HS |  |
| HSCS | 05/01/06 ENLRET | HS |  |
| HSD3 | 01/27/05 ESREQ  | HS |  |

### FY 05 Short HS "C" School Information:

We have received all information from each service school. All dates are subject to change. All short school requests are to be sent to the HS Rate Force Master Chief. All requests for HS "C" Long courses are to be forwarded to the HS Assignment Officer.

### Training Requests

FYI: Please read recently released ALCOAST 402/02 concerning the submission of ETRs. This new application became effective on 14 August 2002. **THIS APPLICATION SUPPLEMENTS THE CURRENT PROCESS** of submitting Short Term Training Requests (STRTR, CG-5223) or Class "A" Short Term Training Requests (STTR, CG-5286).

Just as a reminder to all HSs submitting STTRs and those who review these requests. Please review the instructions for completion of the CG-5223. This form is available in JET FORMS for WSIII/Forms Plus WSII and in the link <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/tqc/sttr.htm>.

There has been some confusion lately about obligate service and "C" schools. Before I enter any of the STTRs, I verify in CGHRMS the amount of time left that each member has left in the service. I will contact the member's supervisor and inform them that the member does not meet one of the requirements listed below. The member will not be enrolled into a course until the member has actually extended or re-enlists

**NOTE:** If the course requested is **longer than two weeks** and the applicant does not have the required minimum service remaining on their current enlistment, they may have to agree to extend their enlistment IAW the Personnel Manual, COMDTINST M1000.6 (Series) article 1-G-31. Please note in block 22 if the applicant has agreed to extend their enlistment.

Personnel assigned to advanced training of **longer than two week but less than 20 weeks** must have upon completion of class, at least one year of service remaining on their current enlistment period of active service.

Enlisted personnel assigned to advanced training of **longer than 20 weeks** must have, upon completion of class, at least **two years of service remaining** on their current enlistment period of active service **or two weeks service for each week of training** (two times the duration of the course) **whichever is greater**.

For those of you that are requesting any of the Long "C" schools, please contact CWO Crisp.

| Air Force Pharmacy Apprentice, Phase 1 |            |           |                  |
|--|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Location – Sheppard AFB, TX            |            |           |                  |
| Course ID – J3AQR4P031-002             |            |           |                  |
| Class ID                               | Start Date | Grad Date | Quotas Available |
|  | 05 Nov 04  | 14 Feb 05 | closed           |
|  | 03 Jan 05  | 01 Apr 05 | closed           |
|  | 09 Feb 05  | 09 May 05 | closed           |
|  | 17 Mar 05  | 14 Jun 05 | closed           |
|  | 25 Apr 05  | 22 Jul 05 | closed           |
|  | 31 May 05  | 26 Aug 05 | closed           |
|  | 20 Jun 05  | 16 Sep 05 | closed           |
|  | 13 Jul 05  | 11 Oct 05 | closed           |
|  | 22 Aug 05  | 21 Nov 05 | 01               |
|  | 23 Sep 05  | 23 Dec 05 | 02               |

| Air Force Pharmacy Apprentice, Phase 2 |            |           |                  |
|--|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Location – Keesler AFB, MS             |            |           |                  |
| Course ID – J5ABO4P031-001             |            |           |                  |
| Class ID                               | Start Date | Grad Date | Quotas Available |
|  | 14 Oct 04  | 03 Nov 04 | closed           |
|  | 29 Nov 04  | 17 Dec 04 | closed           |
|  | 05 Jan 05  | 26 Jan 05 | closed           |
|  | 23 Feb 05  | 15 Mar 05 | closed           |
|  | 11 Apr 05  | 29 Apr 05 | closed           |
|  | 16 May 05  | 06 Jun 05 | closed           |
|  | 22 Jun 05  | 13 Jul 05 | closed           |
|  | 02 Sep 05  | 23 Sep 05 | 01               |
|  | 26 Sep 05  | 17 Oct 05 | 02               |

**Note:** Phase1 and Phase 2 convening's have been placed side by side in the table above. Total time away from unit should be considered to be from start of Phase 1 to graduation of Phase 2. When submitting an STTR, it is necessary only to request Phase 1.

| Air Force Medical Services Craftsman – Independent Duty Medical Technician |            |           |                  |
|--|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Location – Sheppard AFB, TX  |            |           |                  |
| Course ID – J3AZR4N071-006   |            |           |                  |
| Class ID   | Start Date | Grad Date | Quotas Available |
|  | 05 Oct 04  | 05 Jan 05 | closed           |
|  | 17 Nov 04  | 16 Feb 05 | closed           |
|  | 06 Jan 05  | 30 Mar 05 | closed           |
|  | 17 Feb 05  | 10 May 05 | closed           |
|  | 31 Mar 05  | 21 Jun 05 | closed           |
|  | 11 May 05  | 02 Aug 05 | closed           |
|  | 22 Jun 05  | 13 Sep 05 | closed           |
|  | 03 Aug 05  | 25 Oct 05 | closed           |
|  | 14 Sep 05  | 07 Dec 05 | 02               |

**Note:** Prerequisites for this course include current National Registry of EMT status, HS2 (or on the advancement list for HS2). COMDTNOTE 1540 contains class convening dates for EMT Basic and Re certification classes provided by Medical Services School at TRACEN Petaluma.  
COMDTNOTE 1540 on-line  
<http://www.uscg.mil/hq/tqc/1540>

| Navy Aerospace Medicine Technician |            |           |                  |
|------------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Location – NOMI, Pensacola, FL     |            |           |                  |
| Course ID – B-300-0017             |            |           |                  |
| Class ID                           | Start Date | Grad Date | Quotas Available |
|                                    |            |           |                  |
| 05010                              | 31 Mar 05  | 10 Jun 05 | CX               |
| 05015                              | 24 Jun 05  | 02 Sep 05 | 01               |
| 05020                              | 09 Sep 05  | 18 Nov 05 | closed           |

| Navy Radiographer – Basic (X-Ray Basic) |            |           |                  |
|---|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Location – NSHS San Diego, CA           |            |           |                  |
| Course ID – B-313-0025                  |            |           |                  |
| Class ID                                | Start Date | Grad Date | Quotas Available |
| 05010                                   | 11 Jan 05  | 06 Apr 05 | closed           |
| 05015                                   | 28 Feb 05  | 20 May 05 | closed           |
| 05020                                   | 26 Apr 05  | 20 Jul 05 | closed           |
| 05025                                   | 14 Jun 05  | 07 Sep 05 | 02               |
|   |            |           |                  |

| Army Physical Therapy Specialty, Phase 1 |            |           |                  |
|--|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Location – Fort Sam Houston, TX          |            |           |                  |
| Course ID – 303-N9                       |            |           |                  |
| Class ID                                 | Start Date | Grad Date | Quotas Available |
|  | 10 Jan 05  | 10 May 05 | CX               |
|  | 18 Apr 05  | 16 Aug 05 | 01               |
|  | 08 Aug 05  | 09 Dec 05 | 01               |
|  |            |           |                  |

| Army Physical Therapy Specialty, Phase 2  |            |           |                  |
|---|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Location – Various; selected by Phase 1 based on availability of training sites |            |           |                  |
| Course ID – 303-N9  |            |           |                  |
| Class ID  | Start Date | Grad Date | Quotas Available |
|   | 18 May 05  | 29 Jul 05 | CX               |
|   | 24 Aug 05  | 04 Nov 05 | 01               |
|   | FY 06      |           | 01               |
|   |            |           |                  |

| Field Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties Course |            |           |                  |
|---|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Location – Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD                        |            |           |                  |
| Course ID – 501160  |            |           |                  |
| Class ID  | Start Date | Grad Date | Quotas Available |
|   | 18 Oct 04  | 22 Oct 04 | closed           |
|   | 07 Feb 05  | 11 Feb 05 | 20               |
|   | 11 Apr 05  | 15 Apr 05 | 20               |
|   | 06 Jun 05  | 10 Jun 05 | 20               |
|   | 26 Sep 05  | 30 Sep 05 | 20               |

| Intro to Environmental Health               |            |           |                  |
|---|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Location – TRACEN Yorktown, TRACEN Petaluma |            |           |                  |
| Course ID – 500488                          |            |           |                  |
| Location                                    | Start Date | Grad Date | Quotas Available |
| Yorktown                                    | 28 Mar 05  | 01 Apr 05 | 20               |
| Yorktown                                    | 20 Jun 05  | 24 Jun 05 | 20               |
| Petaluma                                    | 25 Jul 05  | 29 Jul 05 | 20               |
| Petaluma                                    | 15 Aug 05  | 19 Aug 05 | 20               |
|   |            |           |                  |

#### **Field Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties Course**

FYI. We have changed the name of this class in the COMDTINST 1540 from Advanced Cardiac Life Support to Combat Casualty Care. This was done solely for administrative purposes. The course remains the same. It is **a new requirement** for those HSs who will be assigned as Independent Duty Technicians to

ships, groups or LORAN stations. For further information on this course, you can use the following link <http://ccc.apgea.army.mil>. If you wish to attend please contact HSCS Reich at 202-267-2056.

#### **From the desk of CDR Ludwig G-WKH-1 Chief, Medical Readiness**

Two militarily relevant articles are in Military Medicine. The titles are: "Sentinel Cases of Community-Acquired Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* onboard a Naval Ship" and "Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* in an Adult Military Beneficiary Population Lacking Risk Factors: Susceptibility to Orally Available Agents." Stay alert for an AIG on this subject.

CDC information: [http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/hip/ARESI/ST/mrsa\\_comm\\_faq.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/hip/ARESI/ST/mrsa_comm_faq.htm)

The Bureau of Prisons has a helpful document:  
<http://www.nicic.org/pubs/2003/019356.pdf>

For those with additional curiosity:

Community-acquired Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* among Military Recruits

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/EID/vol10no5/03-0604.htm>

Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* Infections Among Competitive Sports Participants --- Colorado, Indiana, Pennsylvania, and Los Angeles County, 2000--2003

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5233a4.htm>

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